Weill Cornell Medicine/NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital
Department of Psychiatry, Track #4
Inpatient Neuropsychology on Rehabilitation and Psychiatry Units

The Department of Psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medicine offers advanced training in neuropsychological assessment of inpatients in two settings: (1) an acute inpatient medical rehabilitation unit and (2) an inpatient psychiatric unit. The trainee will be located at the Weill Cornell campus of NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital. NewYork-Presbyterian is the #1 ranked hospital in New York City and has psychiatry and rehabilitation medicine programs ranked in the top 10 nationally. The trainee’s core experience will be learning about brain-behavior functioning of neurologic and psychiatric patients through the use of neuropsychological evaluations.

In the rehabilitation setting, the trainee will have the opportunity to evaluate patients experiencing acute neurologic and medical conditions including stroke, brain tumor, traumatic brain injury, and post-operative cognitive dysfunction. Neuropsychological evaluations are brief screening assessments that emphasize the rapid integration and communication of test data to an interdisciplinary team in order to guide patients’ rehabilitation treatment and discharge planning. The trainee will have the opportunity to interface with a diverse range of rehabilitation professionals including attending physicians, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech-language pathologists.

In the inpatient psychiatric setting, the patient population presents with a wide variety of functional impairments secondary to psychiatric difficulties (depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, substance use disorder), neurodevelopmental disorders (ASD, ADHD) and neurodegenerative conditions. In the psychiatric setting, neuropsychological evaluations are primarily targeted towards assisting the psychiatric team in differential diagnosis and informing treatment planning.

The trainee will receive two hours of face-to-face individual and/or group supervision weekly. The trainee is expected to attend the biweekly neuropsychology didactic series, which will allow him/her to interact with clinical neuropsychologists and trainees throughout the Weill Cornell/NewYork-Presbyterian system. Additionally, trainees are encouraged to attend monthly neuropsychology case conferences, weekly Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds, and monthly Department of Rehabilitation Medicine Grand Rounds.

This externship is most appropriate for advanced neuropsychology trainees, who have conducted at least one prior full-year externship in clinical neuropsychology. Prior coursework in functional neuroanatomy is highly recommended. Familiarity with common neuropsychological tests used with adults is recommended, including WAIS and WMS subtests, Trail Making Test, Stroop Test, Verbal Fluency, Boston Naming Test, and Hopkins Verbal Learning Test.

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Application: A cover letter, CV, and two letters of recommendation in one combined PDF file to Abhishek Jaywant, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Neuropsychology on the Externship Portal (nynjadot.apa.org). Reference letters can also be sent separately to Dr. Jaywant at abj2006@med.cornell.edu.